

BRIDGEPORT AS IT WAS

100-50-20-YEARS AGO

(Taken from the Files of The Evening Farmer)

ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

CURE FOR HYPOCHONDRIA

A wealthy Swiss farmer much afflicted with hypochondria came to Langenau to consult the celebrated Dr. Schuppach, better known by the appellation of the "incubator doctor." "I have seven devils in my belly," said the farmer; "no fewer than seven." "There are more than seven said the doctor with the utmost gravity." "If you count them right you will find eight."

After questioning the patient concerning his case, he promised to cure him in eight days, during which time he would every morning rid him of one of his troublesome inmates at the rate of one louis d'or each. "But," added he, "as the last will be much more difficult and obstinate to expel than the others, I shall expect two louis d'ors for him." The farmer agreed to these terms; the bargain was struck, and the doctor impressing upon all the necessity of secrecy, promised to give the nine louis d'ors to the poor of the parish.

Next morning the imaginary demoniac was brought to him and placed near a kind of a machine which he had never seen before, by means of which he received an electric shock. The farmer roared and yelled, "Go on! go on!" said the doctor, with the utmost gravity. Next day the same operation was repeated. The farmer yelled as before and the doctor coolly remarked, "Another is off!" in this manner he proceeded to the seventh.

When he was preparing to attack the last, the doctor reminded his patient that he now had need of all his courage, for he was the Captain of the game, who would make a more obstinate resistance than any of the others. The shock was at this time so strong as to extend the demoniac on the floor. "Now they are all gone," said the doctor, and ordered the farmer to be put to bed.

On recovering himself, the latter declared he was completely cured; he paid the nine louis d'ors with abundance of thanks and returned in the next minute to his village. Credible witnesses attest this extraordinary cure, which proves the acuteness of the doctor, as well as the truth of Solomon's proverb, that "with the Lord we must sometimes talk like a fool."

CULTIVATION OF CANE

The cultivation of cane is rapidly increasing in Georgia. A letter on this subject observes that with 5 or 6 hands, 15 or 20 acres can be raised. The average yield is 4,754 pounds of sugar and 23 hds. of molasses; the sugar at 12 1/2 cents a pound would amount to about \$6,000, and \$1,000 for the molasses, would make together the sum of \$7,000; this, however, is after the sugar and molasses much lower than the present prices. But the products at the prices put above, affords very great profits. Thus do the bounties of God to our country unfold themselves, and point to independence.

GIVES BIRTH TO THREE SONS

On Sunday night, Feb. 10th, 1816, a young woman at Greenwich, about 16 years of age, the wife of a mechanic in that village, was safely delivered of THREE FINE BOYS, all of whom, we understand, are in a healthy state. The ages of the father, mother and three sons, do not amount to 37 years.

FOUND-A-PIG

Taken up in the first week in March a little snow pig, with short tail, in a suffering condition. The owner can have it by calling on the subscriber, proving property and paying the wages. E. B. KELLEY, B. B. KELLEY, Weston, March 8th, 1816.

FIFTY YEARS AGO.

FREEDOM OF SPEECH

The day of punishing thought and speech in this country is at an end, and we want to see who dare to revive it.—New York Tribune.

The day of punishing thought and speech in this country came upon us with the advent of the Republican party into power. They are the advocates of "free speech" to enable them to abuse others, but they strangle free speech when it is used to expose their own usurpations, despotisms and rascalties.—Quincy Herald.

"GOOD-BYE" TO LOBBELL

Charles Lobdell, late Assistant Editor of the Farmer, was this morning made the victim of a "surprise," by the type of this office. On some pretense he was hurried into the composing room, when the "boys" presented him with a memento of the high regard and esteem in which he is held by them, in the shape of a miniature gold alloy, beautifully finished and containing places for the likenesses of each of the donors. Lobdell was induced to "take" the "article" as a "proof" that he was regarded as being an editor of the high type. Perhaps it will serve to remind him at times of his old associates in the "land of steady habits," to whom he is endeared.

REAL ESTATE SALE

The dwelling house No. 10, in Courtland place block in this city, has recently been purchased by Col. S. B. Sumner, who is coming down town to make his residence nearer the "hub."

MAYOR CLAPP DEAD?

The report that the Hon. S. S. Clapp our worthy Mayor, was dead, so prevalent on the streets last evening, we are happy to state, proves to be incorrect. We learn from a gentleman who resides near his home, that at noon today, he was much more comfortable.

"THE FAITHFUL WIFE"

What can be truer or more beautiful than this tribute to women? It is from the pen of Daniel Webster: "May it please your honors, there is nothing on earth that can compare with the faithful attachment of a wife, no creature who for the object of her love is as indomitable, so persevering, so ready to suffer and die. Under the most depressing circumstances, women's weakness becomes a mighty power, her timidity becomes fearless courage, all her shrinking passions away, and her spirit acquires

the firmness of marble—adamantine firmness—when circumstances drive her to put forth all her energies under the inspiration of her affection."

GOLD AT NOON

New York, March 10, 1866
Gold 132; Cotton dull at 41 and 42c.

CONSECRATION OF A BISHOP

Boston, Mass., March 10, 1866.—On Sunday last the consecration of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Williams, the Bishop-elect of Boston took place in St. James Church, here. Archbishop McCloskey officiated at the ceremonies. The Diocese of Boston, which includes the State of Massachusetts, was established in 1808, since which time four prelates have presided over the See.

RE THE HORSE RAILROAD

C. B. Lashar, Esq., superintendent of the Bridgeport Horse Railway Co., is at work today with a gang of hands altering the curve at the corner of Main and State streets. When completed the cars will begin running up State street again. The company expect to resume work again on the extension of the road in a few days, and push it through to its terminus.

TWENTY YEARS AGO.

MAYOR CLARK'S

NARROW ESCAPE

New Rochelle, March 10, 1866.—The engine attached to the Naugatuck express, which leaves New York at 4:03 p. m., was derailed this afternoon at what is known as "Jerusalem crossing," between this place and Larchmont. The engineer and fireman jumped from the engine and nobody was hurt.

Mayor Frank E. Clark, of Bridgeport, Conn., was a passenger on the train. He was uninjured.

RECOGNITION AND

INSTALLATION

Recognition services of Rev. George D. Reid as pastor of the East Washington avenue Baptist church will be held tomorrow evening at 7:30. The following prominent local clergymen will take part in the exercises: Revs. Nicholson, Chapman, Walker, Morton, Davis, Currier and Fullerton. The choir, under the direction of George A. Adams, has prepared special music for the occasion.

POLOIST MENARD BITTEN

Capt. Menard of the Salem polo team was bitten by a Skye terrier last Tuesday, and the physician who attended him feared hydrophobia would result and he advised Menard to go to the Pasteur Institute in New York for treatment. Menard did so the day after the accident. It is said that before he will be condition to play again the polo season will be over with. Menard home is in Bridgeport.

NOT TERRANCE ROGERS

In the report of the court martial held at the armory Tuesday evening an injustice was done Terrence Rogers of 46 Crescent avenue, and all other persons of the same name. Terrence Rogers received an honorable discharge from Co. B, over a year ago and is not amenable to court martial rules. The name of the man court martialled was Rogers, but his first name is William.

GARBAGE COLLECTOR DAILEY

Timothy Dailey, the new garbage collector, has purchased ten new horses and Peck & Lines are building as many new wagons for him.

HEALTH NOTES

Four cases of measles were reported to the Health officer today, as follows: Frances G. Blush, a teacher at the Nichols street school, living at 245 Fairfield avenue; Annie Ballou, 98 1/2 Madison avenue; Albert Strang, 27 George street; and Charles Corrigan, 216 Railroad avenue.

WALTER McNALLY ARRESTED.

Green Goods Men Apprehended.—At the request of the Detective bureau of New York City, Superintendent Eugene Birmahman caused the arrest today of Walter McNally, alias "Odeil Walter," charged with selling green goods. Walter is a brother of James McNally, famous for green goods swindling. When Walter was arrested by Detective Edward O. Cronan and George Arnold he made no remonstrance, but later said he wanted to consult with a lawyer. He said he did not know what the New York police wanted him for.

McELROY FOR PRESIDENT

Charity Commissioner Considering.

Since the announcement in the Farmer that Charity Commissioner McElroy intended to resign from the board a strong measure has been brought to bear upon him and it is now believed that he will reconsider his determination. At a meeting of the board in the near future it is believed that he will be offered the presidency of the board of Charities. It is also expected that a successor to Pharmacist Joseph V. Brennan will be elected at the meeting. The only name heard in connection with the place is that of

Dr. James E. Hair. It is also expected that Clark Coit and the rest of the staff will be re-appointed. There are several new candidates for the position of town physician, but it is improbable that the old staff will be changed.

OUR BUSINESS MEN

The Hospital For the Horse is at Harrison Court and Fairfield avenue. Calls are promptly attended day and night. DR. J. BRIZELL, Prop. Among the leading tailors in this city at the present time is ROBERT HARRIS, proprietor of the Bridgeport Pants Co., at 129 Fairfield avenue.

A choice line of liquors and cigars cannot be more conveniently had in this city than at CHARLES H. KELLEY'S at 25 Wall street.

THE OWL SALOON is now located at 19 Gold street, William Zepp is the proprietor and he invites the patronage of the public.

SIXTON'S MONUMENTAL WORKS. All kinds of Cemetery Work a specialty in all kinds of Granite and Marble, at reasonable prices and of the latest designs. Office and works at St. Michael's Cemetery, Stratford avenue. James Sexton, Jr., salesman. M. H. Sexton, Proprietor.

Youman's and Dunlap's high grade hats are now on sale at the leading Hat Store, 350 Main street. THOMAS WARD, Proprietor.

"Gladstone," the best shoe on the market, may be obtained at the BOSTON SHOE STORE. They beat any shoe you ever saw for the money. HOLBROOK & McNAMARA, 373 Main street.

Electrical and Sporting Goods for 1896 as well as ready made clothing must go regardless of profit. We want to make room for new stock. A good time to buy your winter suit or overcoat at F. SAMMIS.

"A horse! A horse! My Kingdom for a Horse!" Purchase a good horse and go and get a reliable harness of JOHN S. AUSTIN, 42 Fairfield avenue and 78 Middle street.

FERGUSON & FERGUSON, 342-344 Main street carry an up-to-date stock of furniture and carpets, baby carriages and rapiers.

Apollo Harps No. 72. Prices from \$4 to \$35. Call and examine them at the TREAT & SHEPARD CO., 16 Fairfield avenue.

R. NICHOLS has a full line of the best brands of canned goods at low prices. Call and see at 60 Courtland street.

PHILAN BROS., Insurance, fire and Life Offices 28 Sanford building Bridgeport, Conn.

If You Want a Prize

Lawn, Read This!

"Get busy now," is the advice of the Department of Agriculture to home-holders who wish to have attractive lawns around their houses. When snow is melting and the ground freezing at night and thawing in the day, the conditions are especially good for the application of commercial fertilizer.

Before freezing weather is entirely

over, grass seed should be sown, for it must be remembered that only by repeated applications of grass seed can a good lawn be produced. The ordinary seeding of grass on a new lawn is 1 pound of seed to every 400 square feet—that is, to a piece 20 feet square. For reseeding a lawn, one-tenth to one-half of this amount should be used, according to the condition of the lawn at the time. For the northern part of the United States Kentucky blue grass and red top are the standard varieties.

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HAIR COMING OUT?

Dandruff causes a feverish irritation of the scalp, the hair roots shrink, loosen and then the hair comes out fast. To stop the falling hair once and rid the scalp of every particle of dandruff, get a 25-cent bottle of Danderine at any drug store, pour a little in your hand and rub it into the scalp. After a few applications the hair stops coming out and you can't find any dandruff.—Adv.

SYRUP OF FIGS

FOR CROSS, SICK FEVERISH CHILD

If little stomach is sour, liver torpid or bowels clogged.

Mothers can rest easy after giving "California Syrup of Figs," because in a few hours all the clogged-up waste, sour bile and fermenting food gently moves out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. Children simply will not take the time from play to empty their bowels, and they become tightly packed, liver gets sluggish and stomach disordered.

When cross, feverish, restless, see if tongue is coated, then give this delicious "fruit laxative." Children love it and it can't cause injury. No difference what ails your little one, if full of cold, or a sore throat, diarrhoea, stomach-ache, bad breath, remember, a gentle "inside cleaning" should always be the first treatment given. Full directions for babies, children of all ages and grown-ups are printed on each bottle.

Beware of counterfeit fig syrups. Ask your druggist for a 50-cent bottle of "California Syrup of Figs," then look carefully and see that it is made by the "California Fig Syrup Company." We make no smaller size. Hand back with contempt any other fig syrup.—Adv.

ACCEPTANCE OF CATHOLIC FAITH WOULD END WORLD WAR, SAYS THIS CONVERT

David Goldstein of Boston

Makes Stirring Address to Stamford Knights of Columbus.

"Men who have been stating that a man cannot be a good citizen of the United States, of England, or France, or Germany or of any other country, and be obedient to the Pope, are wrong, because the obligations of the Pope conflicts with the obligation of the State, are now the very men who are incessantly demanding the reason why the Pope does not stop the war in Europe. Friends, I think you will all agree with me that the Pope has shown a remarkable attitude of strict neutrality in the great struggle, and yet he displayed the spirit, often announced, that he will do all in his power to assist in establishing peace."

This statement was made by David Goldstein of Boston, at a lecture on the subject, "Peace and War," in the Casino, Stamford, Wednesday night, under the auspices of St. Augustine Council, Knights of Columbus. The capacity of the hall was taxed by the audience, who interrupted his words with rounds of applause as he spoke of the position of the Catholic Church in regard to marriage law, to Socialism and to war and peace.

After the lecture, which occupied nearly two hours' time, Mr. Goldstein met the members of St. Augustine's and St. Peter's Councils, and the visiting out-of-town knights in the St. Augustine club rooms in Main street. He shook hands with the various men present and spoke to them along the lines of the good of their Order.

The meeting in the Casino was opened by Past Grand Knight Edward J. Flemming of St. Augustine Council, who with the speaker, Grand Knight William McGill of St. Augustine's, and Grand Knight Arthur Tynes of St. Peter's Councils, occupied the platform Mr. Flemming said a few words about the Catholic position in regard to the war.

Mr. Goldstein said that in the countries where Councils have been established, before introducing the speaker of the evening.

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God.

"Is the European war a just war? The Church has no answer. The right answer belongs to the State. The justice of her resort to arms the State herself must determine. The church will not be tempted. It was the enemies of Christ, who asked: 'Shall we pay tribute to Caesar?'—tempting Him. Just so does the enemy question the church today. And the same answer is given that her Divine Founder gave nearly twenty centuries ago: 'Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's.' Then, one thing that belongs to Caesar is obedience to the call of the state for loyalty to our own colors is not alone a civil claim upon us, it is the law of the Catholic Church."

"It is the irony of fate that, though the enemies professes to assist the man who gives allegiance to the Pope of Rome a traitor to his country, the Catholic Church teaches the highest possible order of patriotism. While the self-styled Catholics live at the froth at the mouth when manufacturing facts that are not so, the real facts tell the tale that Catholics are to be found amongst the bravest of Christendom in all the armies of Christendom."

"Besides, it is most interesting to note that those who have cried the loudest that a man cannot be loyal Englishman, Frenchman, German, or American and pay tribute to the Pope, because one interferes with matters of State, are now insistently giving up their lives at the altar with matters of State and stop the war. The strict neutrality of the Holy Father throws back the insult that the church is a political machine, and the patriotism of Catholics should for all time silence their traducers, for while they are obedient to the Pope, in matters of faith and morals, Catholics are loyal and heroic in giving up their lives at the altar of the several countries at war. But, to expect the enemy to cease questioning our patriotism is too much, for so long as men follow the counsel of their will, so long will Catholics expect to be maligned. In answer to those who questioned his patriotism, upon his elevation to the exalted position of a Prince of the Church, our great Pope, Cardinal Connolly said: 'Since when was a man not permitted to love both his father and mother? since when was a man not permitted to obey his God and his country?'"

"The Catholic Church holds the key to a World Peace today! Just as she brings peace to the soul of the repentant sinner, just as she settles the differences between man and wife so has she settled disputes between King and King, nation and nation. It was Boniface VIII, who established peace between France and England. It was Alexander VI, who adjusted the differences between Spain and Portugal over their new found Western lands. It was Clement VII, who settled the differences between Russia and Poland over Lithuania. It was Gregory XIII, who ended the war between Bathory of Poland and Ivan the Terrible. It was our own great Leo XIII, who adjusted the quarrel between Hayti and San Domingo. While, as late as 1885, when Bismarck submitted the German controversy with Spain over the Caroline Islands to the Vatican, an agreement was formulated which established peace and prevented war. Ay, but yesterday, our Holy Father Pope Benedict XV, was selected arbitrator of the difficulty existing between Peru and Bolivia."

"It is most significant that those powers who have so long ignored the voice of peace sending envoys to her Court and who shall say that England, Russia, France, Turkey, Germany and all the other nations now engaged in war, had, before the war, sent the envoys to the Vatican, the great European slaughter, now going on might not have been averted? Even though Rome, by the rebellion of once loyal nations, is limited in the exercise of her power, yet she has done more than all the other powers put together to bring relief to those thousands of wounded soldiers of all creeds and no creed, who were languishing in foreign lands. It is the good offices of our Holy Father that are bringing back the wounded soldiers to the firesides in their native lands, which they love and long for. Let us hope and pray that the day is not far distant when Rome shall again be recognized as the great Papal Court of Arbitration and so avert in the future the awful slaughter that the world is a witness of today. Ay! it is Rome alone that will ever bring about the understanding necessary to an enduring peace of nations. For the Brotherhood of Man divorced from the Fatherhood of God is a mere mock."

"What a rebuke this war of many nations is to the pride and conceit which set up The Hague as the purveyor of international peace! It is Hamlet with Hamlet left out. There it stands, a magnificent building—the Peace Palace at The Hague—to mock its founders. The money did not come by multiplying the bits donated by the poor—the money was rolled up mountains high by manipulating the tariff schedules and by grinding the face of the poor. The Peace Palace is now silent. It was so filled with emptiness that there was no room for the Vicar of Christ. It meditated vain things, and verily it received its reward. Its reward was not peace but the plaudits of those who deny the authority of the Pope, of



Rome, of those who would dethrone Religion in favor of science—not knowing that Theology is the highest intellectual science of them all.

"The very idea of The Hague came from the church. It was a French Catholic monk, Emeric Cruce, who, some three hundred years ago, wrote out a concrete plan for a world Court of Arbitration. It was from the book of this monk—"The New Cynaeas"—that Hugo Grotius, Gustavus Adolphus, our own Charles Sumner and many other leading advocates of international arbitration are said to have received their inspiration which afterwards materialized in The Hague."

"In his plan, the holy monk gave first place to the Roman Pontiff, but at The Hague they would not have it so. Shall we wonder, then, that this cold temple stands stark, warning the world that Christ is the center of peace and that a rejection of His Vicar is a rejection of Christ Himself? "Oh! It is as simple as can be, if we want peace in our hearts, peace in our homes, peace in our industries, and peace in our governments, we must pay the price. The price of peace is the obedience to the law of Christ. When the Lord is my Shepherd, I have no want."

"It was but yesterday that the world saw an example of international peace established in the name of our Lord. Argentina and Chile had long quar-

reled over their boundary line, when at length the eloquent protest of the Bishop of Argentina brought these two southern republics from a state of war to a state of peace. They finally bent to the call of Christ and entered into an agreement to end their conflicts. They melted their cannon to cast a colossal statue of our Lord, the Prince of Peace. In the heart of the Andes, on the mountain pass between Argentina and Chile, the Christ of the Andes now stands with a cross in His left hand and His right hand raised to bless the compact between our Southern neighbors. At the base of the monument there is inscribed this, their mutual pledge: 'Sooner shall these mountains crumble into dust, than Argentines and Chileans break the peace which at the feet of Christ the Redeemer they have sworn to maintain.'

"We may cry 'Peace! Peace!' but there shall be no war until, in our hearts we erect the image of Christ, until in our domestic life, in our industrial life and in our governmental affairs, we rule ourselves, our homes, our business, and our nation by the principles of peace."

The Spanish government has designated April 2nd the day for the election of deputies to the Spanish Cortes.

King Victor Emmanuel of Italy, returned to Rome from the front.

Women Once Invalids

Now in Good Health Through Use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Say it is Household Necessity. Doctor Called it a Miracle.

All women ought to know the wonderful effects of taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound even on those who seem hopelessly ill. Here are three actual cases:



Harrisburg, Penn.—"When I was single I suffered a great deal from female weakness because my work compelled me to stand all day. I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound for that and was made stronger by its use. After I was married I took the Compound again for a female trouble and after three months I passed what the doctor called a growth. He said it was a miracle that it came away as one generally goes under the knife to have them removed. I never want to be without your Compound in the house."—Mrs. FRANK KNOBL, 1642 Fulton St., Harrisburg, Penn.

Hardly Able to Move.

Albert Lea, Minn.—"For about a year I had sharp pains across my back and hips and was hardly able to move around the house. My head would ache and I was dizzy and had no appetite. After taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Liver Pills, I am feeling stronger than for years. I have a little boy eight months old and am doing my work all alone. I would not be without your remedies in the house as there are none like them."—Mrs. F. E. Yost, 611 Water St., Albert Lea, Minn.

Three Doctors Gave Her Up.

Pittsburg, Penn.—"Your medicine has helped me wonderfully. When I was a girl 18 years old I was always sickly and delicate and suffered from irregularities. Three doctors gave me up and said I would go into consumption. I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and with the third bottle began to feel better. I soon became regular and I got strong and shortly after I was married. Now I have two nice stout healthy children and am able to work hard every day."—Mrs. CLEMENTINA DUERRING, 34 Gardner St., Troy Hill, Pittsburg, Penn.

All women are invited to write to the Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co., Lynn, Mass., for special advice,—it will be confidential.

Swift's Premium Oleomargarine
Beters the Bread